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1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES CONCERNS AND CONSIDERATIONS EXPRESSED REF A, BUT BELIEVES VISIT OF USAF SURVEY TEAM AT THIS TIME CAN ONLY STIMULATE BOLIVIAN EXPECTATIONS AND BE PERCEIVED AS USG COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE FMS CREDIT FOR T-37/A-37 AIRCRAFT.

2. IN VIEW OF CONSTRAINTS ON FMS FUNDING FOR BOLIVIA (E.G. CURRENT GOB FISCAL SITUATION, COMPETING DEMANDS ON LIMITED FMS RESOURCES AND IG/ARA DECISION), DEPARTMENT DOES NOT BELIEVE SURVEY TEAM VISIT ADVISABLE AT THIS TIME.

3. FYI - OSD WISHES TO ADD THE FOLLOWING: IN THE SHORT
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TERM THE T-33 AIRCRAFT COULD MEET BAF REQUIREMENTS FOR

GROUND SUPPORT AND AS A JET TRAINER. IN THE LONG TERM, HOWEVER, THE A-37 AIRCRAFT WOULD PROVIDE THE BEST FOLLOW-ON GROUND SUPPORT/TRAINER CAPABILITY FOR THE BAF. IN ADDITION TO THE FMS CREDIT CONSIDERATIONS, THE INTRODUCTION OF THE T-37 AIRCRAFT WOULD COMPLICATE PRESENT BAF SUPPLY/SUPPORT PROBLEMS AND WOULD NOT NECESSARILY EASE LOGISTICS FOR ULTIMATE INTRODUCTION OF A-37. ROGERS

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